

## LYONEL MINIMALIST HAT

*Minimalist Hat* created by Churchmouse Yarns & Teas; adaptation for Lang Yarns Lyonel by Gosh Yarn It!

### Abbreviations:

dec	decrease
EOR	end of round
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 sts together
pm/sm	place marker/slip marker
rnd/s	round/s
ssk	slip, slip, knit (slip 1 st knitwise, 1 st purlwise, to right needle; insert left needle behind front legs of both slipped sts and k2tog through back legs)
st/s	stitch/es



### Materials:

1 ball Lang Yarns Lyonel (109 yards/100g)  
US 10/6mm-16" circular needle  
US 13/9mm-16" circular needle  
Set of (5) US 13/9mm double point needles (DPNs)  
(5) stitch markers, (4) for dec markers and one a different color to mark EOR  
darning needle

### Stitch Gauge:

2.5 stitches/inch on US 13 (If your gauge varies, you will have to adjust needle sizes accordingly)

### Pattern:

With US 10 needle and cable cast-on method, cast on 48 sts. Knit 1 row before joining in the round. Being careful not to twist sts, place marker for EOR, join, and knit 3 rnds.

Change to US 13 needle and knit to desired length before crown shaping, which will add approximately 3" to total hat length. For a cap, knit 6-7" from cast-on edge; for a slouch hat, knit 8-9".

On next rnd, place dec markers as follows: knit 6, pm, \*k12, pm\* 3 times; k6 to EOR. This divides hat into 4 equal sections, with EOR marker in the middle of one section.

Decrease Round: \*Knit to 2 sts before first dec marker, ssk, sm, k2tog\*; repeat \* \* three more times, knit to EOR; 8 sts decreased.

Knit 2 rnds.

Work a second decrease rnd, and, at the same time, transfer sts to 4 DPNs as follows: on circular needle, k3, ssk, remove dec marker, drop the right circular needle and continuing to knit onto first DPN, \*k2tog, k6, ssk, remove dec marker\*. Repeat \* \* again, knitting onto DPN #2, and repeat \* \* once more, knitting onto DPN #3; 5 sts remain on circular needle before EOR. With DPN #4, k2tog, k3 to EOR, sm, k2, ssk.

All sts have now been knit off circular needle. DPN #4 holds both sts at end of previous rnd and sts at beginning of next rnd, separated by EOR marker. Continue this next rnd:

Needle 1-3: k2tog, k4, ssk

Needle 4: k2tog, k2, sm, k1, ssk

Continue decreasing 8 sts every round in this manner, decreasing 1 st at the beginning of each DPN (with a k2tog) and 1 st at end of each DPN (with an ssk), until only 8 sts remain after completing rnd.

Cut yarn, leaving 8" tail. With darning needle, thread tail through remaining sts to close up top and secure. Weave in all ends on wrong side.

**Finishing:**

Soak hat in cool water with wool soap. Gently squeeze out as much water as possible. Roll up in a towel and squeeze out remaining excess water. Lay flat to dry, shaping hat to desired width and length without stretching and, if necessary, pinning to keep brim from rolling.